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1. WE BELIEVE MISSION'S SUGGESTIONS IN REFTEL FOR FURTHER NATO CONSULATIONS ON CRUISE MISSILES ARE TIMELY AND HAVE CONSIDERABLE MERIT. WE ARE EVALUATING BEST MEANS OF ENGAGING ALLIES ON CRUISE MISSILE ISSUES, BOTH BILATER-

ALLY AND WITHIN NATO, INCLUDING A POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL NAC DISCUSSION SOMETIME AFTER THE SECRETARY'S MOSCOW TRIP.

2. FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SOVIETS WE WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO DECIDE HOW TO PROCEED. THEREFORE, PENDING FURTHER GUIDANCE MISSION SHOULD NOT RPT NOT DISCUSS WITH NATO OR THE ALLIES THE POSSIBILITY OF A US PAPER ON CRUISE MISSILES OR OF ANY ADDITIONAL NAC CONSULATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT.

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